common law, which overthrows the doctrine of 1826. Lord Coke, we do not think that we are entitled The Antelope. to engraft any such constructive exception upon the text of the statute.

Upon the whole, it is to be certified to the Circuit Court of Virginia, that the decisions of that Court, upon the points of law arising at the trial, were correctly decided.

CERTIFICATE. This cause came on to be heard on the certificate of division of opinions of the Judges of the Circuit Court, &c. On consideration whereof, it is adjudged by the Court, that it be certified to the said Circuit Court, that the points of law ruled by the said Circuit Court at the trial of the cause, and upon which the same Court, upon a motion for a new trial, were divided in opinion, were, in all respects, correctly decided by the said Court at the said trial.

## [PRACTICE.]

The Antelope. The Vice Consuls of Spain and Portugal, Libellants.

Explanation of the former decree of the Court in the same cause, ante, Vol. X. p. 66.

CERTIFICATE. A mandate having issued to the Circuit Court for the District of Georgia, to

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carry into execution the decree of this Court pronounced at the February term, 1825, to deliver certain Africans, in the said decree mentioned, to the Spanish consul for Spanish claimants, and the Judges of that Court having been divided in opinion respecting the mode of designating the said slaves so to be delivered, and separating them from others to be delivered to the United States, whether the same should be made by lot, or upon proof on the part of the Spanish claimant, it is ordered to be certified to the said Circuit Court of Georgia, that in executing the said mandate, the Africans to be delivered must be designated by proof made to the satisfaction of that Court.

## [PRACTICE.]

Williams, Plaintiff in Error, against

The President, Directors, and Company of the Bank of the United States, Defendants in Error.

Where there is a joint judgment against several defendants, and one only sues out the writ of error without joining the others, it is irregular; but if the others refuse to join in it, quære, whether the plaintiff may not have summons and severance?

March 8th. IN this case, in which Mr. Wright was for the